

**PROCLAMATION**8  
4-22-03

*WHEREAS, public works services are an integral part of everyday life; and*

*WHEREAS, public works services represent the City's first line of defense in protecting the environment; and*

*WHEREAS, the health, safety, and quality of life enjoyed in the community greatly depends on these services; and*

*WHEREAS, the quality and effectiveness of these services, as well as their planning, design, and construction, are vitally dependent upon the efforts and skills of public works employees; and*

*WHEREAS, efficiency of the qualified and dedicated personnel who staff public works departments is materially influenced by the community's attitude and understanding of the importance of the work they perform; and*

*WHEREAS, the support and understanding of an informed citizenry is vital to the efficient operation of public works systems and programs such as water, sewers, streets, transit, and recycling;*

*NOW, THEREFORE, I, KERRY J. DONLEY, Mayor of the City of Alexandria, Virginia, and on behalf of the Alexandria City Council, do hereby proclaim the week of May 18 through 24, 2003, as:*

**"NATIONAL PUBLIC WORKS WEEK"**  
**"Committed to Our Communities"**

*in the City of Alexandria, and do hereby call upon our citizens and civic organizations to acquaint themselves with the issues involved in providing our public works services and to recognize the contributions which public works employees make every day in our community.*

*IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Seal of the City of Alexandria to be affixed this 22<sup>nd</sup> day of April 2003.*

**KERRY J. DONLEY**      **MAYOR**  
*On behalf of the City Council  
of Alexandria, Virginia*

ATTEST:

Beverly I. Jett, CMC      City Clerk